

enactment of this legislation on possible impact of rail line abandonment in areas not previously studied by the Association;

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(11) Modified Humphrey amendment No. 1175, to assure that there is no serious adverse impact on rural areas because of abandonment of rail lines;

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(12) Kennedy amendment, to require the United States Rail Association to issue an annual report;

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(13) Kennedy amendment, to provide that a State use not more than 5 percent of funds for rail service planning activities;

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(14) Kennedy amendment, relative to rate setting procedures;

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(15) Kennedy amendment, pertaining to survival of rail lines;

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(16) Weicker amendment (for Roth), relative to the "Duty of Transferee";

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(17) Griffin amendments, en bloc, to permit States to petition the Association for changes in the final system plan;

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(18) Glenn amendment to provide for a redistribution of certain funds beyond those needed for rail facilities;

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(19) Roth amendment to clarify authority of the Northeast Corridor Improvement Corporation for making safety improvements; and

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(20) Hartke amendment of a technical nature.

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Rejected:

(1) By 3 yeas to 52 nays, Buckley amendment No. 1164 to eliminate "express companies" from receiving rehabilitation funds;

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(2) By 11 yeas to 76 nays, Taft amendment No. 1177 to add a new section to the bill relative to tax relief for the States in the Northeast Railroad corridor;

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(3) By 42 yeas to 43 nays, Pearson amendment to reduced to \$2.1 billion the amount of the Consolidated Rail Corporation (by 43 to 41 Senate agreed to motion to table motion to reconsider the amendment);

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(4) By 38 yeas to 52 nays, Taft amendment No. 1176, to reduce funding for passenger service in the Northeast corridor;

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(5) By 28 yeas to 61 nays, Bartlett amendment to reduce funds for the Northeast corridor;

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(6) By 34 yeas to 57 nays, Pearson amendment to transfer authorization for rail rehabilitation to the Department of Transportation;

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(7) By 28 yeas to 63 nays, Taft amendment to allow other railroads to acquire certain bankrupt railroads;

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Prior to these actions, by 61 yeas to 27 nays, three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to motion to close further debate on this measure.

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Wild River: Senate took from the calendar, passed with amendments and sent to the House, S. 1506, proposing that a segment of the Missouri River, Mont., be designated as a component of the National Wild and Scenic River System to be known as the "Missouri Breaks."

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Fruit Crop Laboratory: Senate agreed to S. Res. 313, disapproving the proposed deferral of budget authority for the Northeastern Appalachian Regional Fruit Crop Laboratory, Kearneysville, W. Va.

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Commendation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 315 commending Johnny Wooden for his contribution to the Nation for his years of participation as basketball coach.

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Emergency Assistance: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 10481, to establish a Federal board to authorize emergency guarantees for the city of New York, and by 51 yeas to 31 nays, agreed to motion to table Allen amendment to add a new section which would amend the Bankruptcy Act to provide for adjustments of debts of major municipalities. Motion has been entered to close further debate on this measure with vote to occur at approximately 11:15 a.m., tomorrow, December 5.

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Arts and Artifacts Indemnity: Senate agreed to the House amendments to S. 1800, providing for the improvement of museum services, and giving the Federal Council on the Arts and Humanities authority to indemnify certain artifacts, thus clearing the measure for the White House.

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Forest Timber: Senate agreed to the House amendment to S. 364, to permit a national forest timber purchaser to transfer earned but unused road construction credits to stumpage charges on another sale within the same national forest, thus clearing the measure for the White House.

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Foreign Assistance: Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 9005, International Development and Food Assistance Act.

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Milk Prices: Senate insisted on its amendments and requested conference with the House on S.J. Res. 121, to provide for quarterly adjustments in the support price for milk, and appointed as Conferees the following Senators: Talmadge, Humphrey, McGovern, Huddleston, Leahy, Dole, Young, and Curtis.

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Conference Reports: By unanimous consent, committees of conference were granted permission to file reports as follows: H. Con. Res. 466, revising the congressional budget for the Federal Government for fiscal year 1976—midnight, Friday, December 5; and S. 622, providing standby emergency authority to assure that the essential energy needs of the United States are met—midnight, Saturday, December 6. Page S21108

Appropriations—Public Works: By unanimous consent, it was agreed that following disposition of H.R. 10481, New York City financing bill, Senate will proceed to consider H.R. 8122, making appropriations for public works and related activities for fiscal year 1976, and through September 30, 1976, with a 1½ hour time limitation for debate on the bill with 30 minutes on amendments. Pages S21109–S21110

Nomination: Senate received the nomination of William J. Porter, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Page S21163

Confirmation: Senate confirmed the nomination of William H. Walker III, of Tennessee, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture. Page S21163

Quorum Call: One quorum call was taken today. Page S21021

Record Votes: Twelve record votes were taken today (total—552).

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Program for Friday: Senate met at 9 a.m. and recessed at 7:12 p.m. until 10 a.m. on Friday, December 5, when after one special order for a speech, Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 10481, New York City financing bill. At approximately 11:15 a.m. vote will be taken on motion to close further debate on this bill.

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Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following items:

H.R. 8122, making appropriations for public works and related activities for fiscal year 1976 and through September 30, 1976 (amended);

H.R. 10647, making supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1976 and through September 30, 1976 (amended);

S. Res. 226, disapproving the proposed deferral of budget authority for the Second Bacon Siphon and Tunnel, Columbia Basin Irrigation Project, Washington; and

S. Res. 313, disapproving the proposed deferral of budget authority for the Northeastern Appalachian Regional Fruit Crop Laboratory, Kearneysville, W. Va.

SUBCOMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Manpower and Personnel approved for full committee consideration the following measures:

H.R. 9573, limiting to 60 days total cumulative entitlement to payment for unused leave;

S. 2117, relating to the appointment powers and duties of the Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps (amended).

Prior to these actions, committee received testimony on S. 2117 from Gen. Louis H. Wilson, Commandant of the Marine Corps.

MOBILE HOMES

Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported with amendments, H.R. 9852, to increase the maximum loan amounts for the purchase of mobile homes.

NOMINATION

Committee on Commerce: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Elliott Richardson, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Commerce, after receiving testimony from Senators Kennedy and Brooke; and John D. Hemenway, American Foreign Service Association, Washington, D.C. The nominee testified and answered questions on his own behalf.

COMMITTEE FUNDS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Committee approved an original resolution, (S. Res. 316) requesting \$45,000 in supplemental funds for the committee for inquiries and investigations.

MIDDLE EAST FUNDS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Foreign Assistance held hearings on the administration's request for military and security supporting assistance for the Middle East (including S. 2662) receiving testimony from Senators Cranston and Kennedy; Leonard Sussman, Freedom House, New York City; Morris J. Amitay, American Israel Public Affairs Committee, Washington, D.C.; Joseph P. Sternstein, Zionist Organization of America, New York City; and Reverend Paul Wilson, Friends of the Filipino People, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

Committee on Government Operations: Committee held hearings on proposed legislation relating to financial disclosure of personal finances (S. 192, 495, 2036, 2098, and 2295) receiving testimony from Senator Case; Representative Kastenmeier; and David Cohen, Common Cause, Washington, D.C.

Hearings continue on Monday, December 8.